



# STELLA MARIS NEWSLETTER

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## *Dear Stella Community*

### **Assembly**

It was wonderful to meet as a school this week in Assembly to remember Harmony Day - celebrating what a diverse community Australia is. I reminded the community that we need to be inclusive and we don't always have to think the same or dress the same as our friends. Be yourself. It is important to value the individual and allow everyone to have their place in our community.

### **Lenten Prayer**

*Loving and gracious God,*

*In this season of Lent, pour out on us your abundant graces of love and mercy and show us a new way of living the Gospel.*

*Fill the community of the Church with the Holy Spirit, renewing us in our unity, as many parts of one body.*

*Help us to move towards the joy of Easter as the unified Body of Christ.*

*We ask this through Christ our Lord*

*Amen.*

*Jesus Christ, the Alpha and the Omega,  
Diocese of Broken Bay – Lenten Program  
2021*

### **What should Harmony Day look like in a Good Samaritan Benedictine school?**

Our core values of hospitality, peace and justice, stewardship and community call on us to be a good neighbour to each other. We need to value all the members of our community, to welcome diversity and to encourage connection.

### **Youth Mass at St Kieran's Church**

It was great to see our girls participating at the youth mass at Manly Vale last Sunday night. With the students from St Augustine's, our girls led the music and the readings as well as providing some visual reflection on the readings. It was a wonderful opportunity for our young people to lead the parish community and I thank the girls and their families for their attendance.

### **Virtual Open Day Event**

On Wednesday we had our Virtual Open Day that included some prerecorded class activities and our Highlights of 2020 presentation. This was interspersed with some information from our Leadership Team about the school. Finally, we finished with a Q&A session with the prospective parents. Thank you to Jiani Chen, Petra Morrell and Lawrence Wong for the very professional presentation.

### **Uniform News**

This week at the assembly we showcased the new pants for winter for our girls. We also let the girls know that there will be shorts coming for the summer season, as well as the hat that was added at the beginning of the year. It was lovely to see the girls so excited about the opportunity to have choices with regard to their uniform.

*Elizabeth Carnegie, Principal*

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## Diary Dates

22 March	Yr 12 Retreat
29 March	Yr 7 Camp
1 April	End of Term 1
2 April	Good Friday

## Virtual Open Day Replay

CLICK HERE to watch a recording of our Virtual Open Day presentation.

Last Wednesday our College Leaders live streamed a Virtual Open Day to prospective families that included:

- live presentations from College Leaders and students, about the passions and experiences at Stella
- prerecorded videos showing the College in action
- a lively Q&A session at the end with lots of insightful questions from the audience, who showed a keen interest in the workings and the ethos of the College.

The presentation was very well received and saved everyone from coming out in what turned out to be very inclement weather this week.

The link is also available on our [website](#). Should you have any questions please call our College Registrar, Ms Kerrie Dudley, on 9976 1802 or send her an [email](#).

## Year 7 Photo Permissions

If you have a daughter in Year 7 please log into Stella Online (Consent2Go) and check your daughter's photo permissions for 2021.

It is perfectly understandable that you may not wish to give permission for your daughter's image to be used and there is no pressure to do so. The purpose of this reminder is to pick up families who have missed the checkboxes on their daughter's file or who have had technical issues and may not be aware of it.

There are three usage levels for which we need your permission:

1. Print – includes the official school photos and annual yearbook (Stellabration). A very limited range of distribution.
2. Web – includes the College newsletter and homepage Highlights.
3. Promotion – the College Facebook page (girls are only identified by their first name, if at all).

The consequence of not checking that photo permissions are correct is that your daughter cannot be included in things that may be important to her, like her official class photo, the annual yearbook and achievements or events that may appear in the newsletter from time to time.



*Limited tickets left!*

*Tickets from [trybooking.com/BOYDX](https://trybooking.com/BOYDX)*

*Adults \$20  
Students \$10*

*24-27 March  
Star of the Sea Theatre*

## READ FOR YOUR HOUSE 2021

The first entries have arrived and the first points have been awarded! SMITH is in the lead.

You can earn points for your House by reading books and entering them in Renaissance Online, or by filling out the questionnaire and popping it into the box in the Library.

Every couple of weeks we'll count the points and add beads to the boxes set up in the library so we can see the progress of each House.

If you have any queries ask Mrs Christensen in the Library or email Mrs Tedman.



## Visual Arts

Don't forget to come along to Art Club on Thursdays lunchtimes. It's a lovely time to make a quick creation such as these cute ceramic owls that we whipped up last week!

You can also work on other art projects that you may have on the go, or need some advice with.

You can find us in G216 A on Thursdays.

*Ms Quick & Ms Fitzgerald*



## Interfaith Dialogue

This week twenty Year 9 students attended a Year 9 Interfaith excursion at Bondi promoting respect, understanding and acceptance. Here is some feedback from the students:

The interfaith excursion was a delightful experience. We encountered the school Masada College, a Jewish school. We all learnt a little bit about each other's cultures and religious practices. Finally both schools performed a song or dance. It was very fun! I highly recommend this for the future participants. (Teresa)

The interfaith excursion was an enlightening experience and allowed us to learn more about another religion. Overall it was really fun to meet some new people and learn more about the Jewish faith. (Ava)

The Interfaith excursion was an amazing opportunity to bond with another school, Masada College, and learn about their religion, the Jewish faith. We listened to each other's presentations and discovered new things about each culture. I recommend this experience to future Year 9s as it was a fun and exciting day, making new friends, and performing dances and songs to each other. (Sami)

I had such an amazing time today. I met some amazing people who I felt a real connection with. I learnt so much about Jewish culture that I wouldn't have known otherwise. Masada was full of amazing students who I'm happy to call my friends. We made posters, learnt incredible things, danced, sung and had a laugh. I couldn't have had a better time. (Katy)

The Interfaith excursion was a great way to receive direct insights into other religions and the culture surrounding them. I enjoyed answering questions about Christianity and asking about their religion. It was fascinating to see how similar or different our religions are. (Michaela).

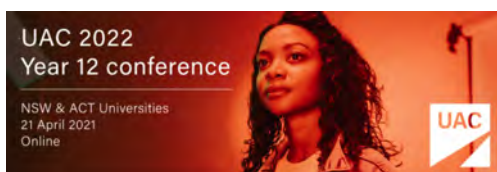
*Ms Nicola Chin  
Director of Mission, Identity & Culture*

## Careers

### UAC Digital

There is a new online platform: UAC Digital. Throughout the year, they will present a range of free webinars for students, parents and anyone navigating their path to higher education.

<https://www.uac.edu.au/schools/uac-digital>



Their first public session will be the Year 12 Conference. I encourage you to go along to hear from the participating universities about what their institutions have to offer. They will also deliver some key information to help students make the most of their application to uni. Register [here](#) for the Year 12 Conference.

### Visit our Stella Careers Website

- [Click here](#) to take you to our calendar of events
- Check out our weekly Careers News (19 March 2021 Career News) [here](#) and select the first dot point.





## Duke of Ed

### Year 10 Bronze

Congratulations to the 64 Year 10 Bronze participants who completed an 'expedition with a difference' on the weekend! All students were perfectly packed and ready to start at 8am on Sunday when the skies opened up producing the days predicted rainfall in two hours and forcing the usually trickling creek to develop into a raging river crossing. Unfortunately, we were forced to turn a very wet and cold group around. After three hours of walking in the rain the girls were asked to go home and simulate their Duke of Edinburgh experience in the safety of their backyards. I was thoroughly impressed to receive many messages and videos documenting their experiences and would like to thank the parents for allowing this to happen at such short notice.

Monday was of course a different day and the girls were once again able to don their packs and walk approximately 10 km around Narrabeen Lake in the sunshine. Thank you to the staff who accompanied the students in such wild weather and congratulations to the girls who thoroughly impressed the staff with a brilliant display of strength, resilience and inclusiveness.

The staff are looking forward to much calmer Silver hikes with you!

### Year 9 Bronze

Registration for new participants was due this week. If you are in Year 9 or a parent of a student over the age of 14, missed the registration but would like to be involved in 2021, please see Ms Silburn by next Tuesday at the latest.

### Yr 9 Training Day

Saturday 27 March, 9am to 12am in the Old Library. All must attend.

## Year 11 and 12 Silver Qualifying/Gold Preliminary Hike

14 to 16 May, Royal National Park and Cockatoo island. This is a three-day hike that is stunning in scenery but quite challenging in its terrain and length.

*Linda Silburn  
Duke of Ed Coordinator*



## Performing Arts Ensembles

### Drama

Year 8: 7.30am Monday with Ms Magnan  
Year 7: 7.30am Monday with Mr Wood  
Year 9/10: 7.30am Friday with Ms Magnan

### Dance

Company: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 7.30am with Ms Jones in K204  
Performance Group: Tuesday, 7.30am with Ms Slennett in the Theatre  
Ensemble: Friday 7.30am with Ms Preece in K214

### Music

Percussion Ensemble: Monday Lunch with Mr Browett  
Junior Vocals: Tuesday lunch with Mrs Maker in G217  
Performance Band: Wednesday 7.30am with Mrs Maker in G201  
Brass Ensemble: Wednesday lunch with Mrs Maker in G217  
Performance Practice: Wednesday lunch with Mr Sutcliffe in the Theatre  
Vocal Ensemble: Thursday 7.30am with Mrs Maker in Drama Studio  
Jazz Band: Thursday unch with Mr Browett in G217



## Tildesley Tennis

Congratulations to the Stella Tennis team who competed at their very first Tildesley Tennis Tournament this week. This is a very prestigious tennis championship involving all of the IGSSA schools. The Stella team has been training hard for this event since last October.

The weather conditions were poor, with light rain on day one and heavy rain on day two. We managed to get through most games on the first day, with all of the Stella singles players playing very well. Unfortunately, the rain set in on day two so play had to be suspended for the day. The remaining singles matches were moved to the indoor courts at Meridan. Finals games were moved to Friday.

The results for Stella were outstanding! Many of the Stella players started the program as new players to tennis last October, and the improvement that they have shown is incredible! Our team was able to match it with players with years of competitive tennis experience. Well done to all members of the team and special mentions to:

- Georgie Sidd (Year 10) through to Round 2.
- Bella Cheong (Year 8) very close game against a tough opponent
- Sunny Elliot (Year 7) winning Stella's first ever game in Tildesley Tennis
- Taylor Jones (Year 11) who was unlucky to be knocked out after taking every game to deuce
- Stella Guberina and Imelda Rankin (Year 11) winning Round 1 and still going strong in Round 2 of the competition (game suspended due to rain).

A huge congratulations to **Alyssa Cameron**. Alyssa made it through to the finals which were played at Meridan on Friday. This is such a huge achievement in this high level of competition. Final results in next week's newsletter.

Well done to all members of the Stella Tennis Team:

Alyssa Cameron, Taylor Jones, Bella Cheong, Ana Necak, Morgan Andrews, Jess Odell, Sunny Elliot, Rosa Greville, Georgie Sidd, Piper Simons, Ruby Cowie, Lola Whitehead, Sofia Whitehead, Stella Guberina, Imelda Rankin, Hannah Graham, Sara Trimboli, Milly Rogers, Grace Shanahan, Holly Wickham, Miki Fransdon, Elena George, Liv Rolfe, Zoe Aronis, Bridey Cook, Bianca Trimboli, Sophie White.





## BBSSA Touch Football

Well done to the Stella U13 touch team who played at the BBSSA Touch Gala Day at Lionel Watts Reserve on Wednesday 17 March. The Stella team went through all round games and the semis undefeated, and qualified for the grand final against Mater Maria.

The Stella girls dominated the grand final from the beginning, and ended up winning the game 4-1, becoming the BBSSA U13 Champions 2021.

Stella has won all divisions of the BBSSA Touch Championships this year – an outstanding result! Congratulations to all members of the team:

Andie Milligan, Charlotte Baum, Elizabeth Pulis, Holly Gallacher, Indi Coombes, Jade Guichon, Lily Hatvany, Matilda Bridge, Michaela Morgan, Riley McNamara, Summer Bourke, Zoe Burke.



## Rowing

Well done to the Stella Rowers who rowed at the prestigious Head of the River regatta on Sunday 14 March. The girls faced tough wet conditions at the Sydney International Regatta Centre at Penrith; however, the Stella girls were not worried by the rain and all performed spectacularly! Grace Burke, Catherine Willcox and Pippa Young all made the finals of their individual scull. A huge congratulations to Pippa Young who won the GOLD medal in the Year 9 scull.

Well done girls!

## Water Polo

Congratulations to Sophia Howison (Year 10) who played at the NSWCCC water polo trials this week. Well done Sophia on representing Stella at such a high level of competition!

The NSSWPA Open Water Polo competition will commence this week. Good luck to our students in Years 10, 11 and 12 who are representing Stella in this competition.

The Years 8 and 9 competition commences in Term 2.

## Netball

Stella will be entering teams into the Peninsula Cup Netball competition in Term 2. Games will be played on Tuesday afternoons at Curl Curl. All students have been sent a link to complete a survey to express their interest in playing netball for Stella next term.

Trials will be held for junior teams starting next week.

## Soccer

The BBSSA Open Soccer Gala Day will be held in Week 1 of Term 2. Students in Years 10, 11 and 12 have been sent a survey link to express interest in trialling for this team. Soccer for the junior years will be later in Term 2.

## Cross Country

The Stella Maris Cross Country event will take place in the final weeks of Term 1. Details of the event will be sent to all students early next week.

## Term 2 Sports

Next week permission notes will be sent to students for Term 2 sports. Some of the sports that will be offered to students in Term 2 include:

- Netball: Tuesday afternoon competition
- Touch: Development programs on various days and gala days
- Rugby: Development program Tuesday and Thursday afternoon
- Aerobics: Friday morning
- Athletics: Training Tuesday and Thursday. Carnivals Terms 2 and 3
- Pilates: Thursday mornings
- Speed clinics: Thursday lunch
- Water Polo: Open games Friday nights, Years 8 and 9 Monday nights
- Soccer: Gala days for all Year groups
- Cross country: Training mornings and various carnivals
- Tennis: lessons Monday mornings. Squad Friday mornings.
- Basketball: Continuation of Term 1 competition.

## Canteen Roster

Hours are 9.30am to 2.30pm

### Monday 22 Mar

Ikuyo Feldman  
Milu Rich  
Bernadette Hickey  
Lindie McKay

### Tuesday 23 Mar

Rose Giardina  
Majella Brady  
Jane Dal Bianco  
**HELP NEEDED PLEASE!**

### Wednesday 24 Mar

Liam McConachie  
Peta Alpen  
Jude Furniss  
Helena Mooney  
Sharna Mulcahy

### Thursday 25 Mar

Daniella Hazell  
Lesha Evans  
Michelle Malouf  
Claire Littler  
Riany Tanner

### Friday 26 Mar

Alison Kelly  
Tara Edgton  
Simone Selinas  
Sandra Berryman  
Hollie Napper

### Can't make it?

Please call Bernie on 9976 1826 to arrange a replacement.

### Lost Property

There are many lunch box containers, drink bottles (very expensive ones!) and other lunch items outside the canteen. Please ask your daughters if they are missing any items. They have been left here for quite some time and we would like to have them go to their homes as soon as possible! Thank you.



## Uniform Shop

### Short Closure

On Tuesday 23 March the Uniform Shop will be closed from 2.30pm to 3.30pm.

### Winter uniform

We are now selling the winter uniform to all Years 7 and 10 and all new students who started at Stella since Term 4 2020. Year 11 need to buy the pink blouse. Girls need to buy their winter uniform by the end of this term.

### Opening Hours

8am to 4.30pm Tues, Wed, Thurs during term.

At present Stella Maris is not encouraging parents on site. Your daughter is able to come to the Uniform Shop to make her purchases.

### Student Card

Please top up your daughter's Student Card the night before she needs to make a purchase as it can take a few hours to load. We also accept debit/credit cards.

### Stella Hat

The Stella hat is optional and costs \$75. Come to us for sizing.

### Stella Pants

Our new long pants for winter are available now at a cost of \$65. Optional for Years 7 to 12.

### Online Uniform Shop

<https://uniformshoponline.stellamaris.nsw.edu.au/>

The College now has an online Uniform Shop allowing parents and students to conveniently purchase items online. Please order under your daughter's name. All items are available for pick up from recess the next Uniform Shop trading day. Please ask your daughter to come in at this time. We have been holding uncollected orders for some time. You can also find the link on the portal and on the website [Uniform](#) page.

### Face masks

Face masks are still mandatory on public transport, including school students over the age of 12. Disposable masks are available from the Uniform Shop for \$1. Policy changes will be updated in the newsletter as they arise.

### More Uniform Information

[Click here for full price list](#)

[Click here to go to the College Uniform webpage](#)

You can also contact Gail or Peta  
9976 1819  
[uniforms\\_books@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au](mailto:uniforms_books@stellamaris.nsw.edu.au)

REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

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24 HOUR  
SWIMATHON

SATURDAY MARCH 20TH TO  
SUNDAY MARCH 21ST, 2021

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[youth@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au](mailto:youth@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au)

Image: Nat & Jules 2020 winners



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